

## Health Care Task Force

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Colorado Department of Health Care Policy  
and Financing –  
Update on Health Care Reform

July 9, 2009



## Presenters

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- Joan Henneberry, Executive Director
    - Appointed on January 9, 2007
  - Sandeep Wadhwa, MD, MBA
    - Appointed March 2008
  - John Bartholomew, Chief Financial Officer



## Agenda for Update

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- Department Goals
    - Increase the number of insured Coloradans
    - Improve health outcomes
    - Increase access to health care
    - Contain health care costs
    - Improve the long-term care service delivery system
  - Progress Report
  - Budget and finance
  - Federal Options
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## The Colorado Health Plan

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- Accomplishments since 2007
  - Expand Access and Improve Health Care
    - HB09-1293
    - Enrollment has been increased by 67,000 more children and 23,000 more adults in Medicaid and CHP+
    - Awarded over \$2 M to ten health care providers so that access to health care services could be expanded to low-income residents



## The Colorado Health Plan

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- Accomplishments since 2007 cont.....
  - Strengthen Medicaid and CHP+
    - Moving from fee for service to managed care
    - The Center for Improving Value in Health Care
    - Eligibility Modernization
    - Involvement in CORHIO
    - Preferred Drug List: Reduced pharmacy costs by an estimated annualized \$4M
    - Long-Term Care Improvements



## The Colorado Health Plan

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### – Health Improvements

- Expand Medicaid disease management programs to reduce costs and improve health
- Maternity Profile
- Medical Homes provided comprehensive health care to over 150,000 enrolled children.
- Enrolled over 6,000 clients in care management programs for clients with heart disease, lung disease, high risk pregnancy, diabetes, or weight management issues
- Colorado Regional Integrated Care Collaborative
- Behavioral Health Cabinet



## Funding

- The Department's responsibilities:
  - \$ 4.0 B
    - \$11.1 M /per day
    - Approx 20% of general fund
  - Caseload Status – 09-10
    - Medicaid - Approximately 480,000
    - CHP+ - Approximately 80,000



## Funding

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- 08-09 Impact to Colorado
  - How did the department use federal dollars?
  - How did the department find efficiencies and savings?
- Expectations for 08-09
  - Estimated Caseload
    - Medicaid – Approximately 435,000
    - CHP+ - Approximately 73,000



## ARRA Impact

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- Federal Financial Participation (FMAP)
  - What is it and where did it go?
- American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009
- Response to economic downturn
  - Reductions for 08-09
  - What is our process for 09-10



## Federal Health Reform Proposals

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- Senate Finance
- Senate HELP
- House TRI Committee
- Resources:  
[kff.org/kaiserpolls/upload/7931.pdf](http://kff.org/kaiserpolls/upload/7931.pdf)  
[kff.org/healthreform/sidebyside.cfm](http://kff.org/healthreform/sidebyside.cfm)



## Wrap-up

- Coordination of state and federal policy
- Q & A

